

ITEM # 1

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COMMISSIONER: BROOKS

APPROVED BY: _____
COUNTY ATTORNEY

RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 2008 AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH.

WHEREAS, It is appropriate that the members of this Board of County Commissioners of Shelby County, Tennessee, should join with federal, state, and local governments in recognizing the hard work and lifetime achievements of our senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, This resolution serves to recognize the month of May as Older Americans Month in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Shelby County is a community in which over ten percent of adults over the age of 65 make their homes; and

WHEREAS, Our senior citizens have guided our community and our nation through historic and momentous times, and their hard work and dedication to their families and communities has blessed successive generations; and

WHEREAS, The number of baby boomers reaching traditional retirement age continues to increase, a fact that spotlights the need for increased attention to the needs of older adults; and

WHEREAS, Our older citizens continue to make important contributions to the fabric of our society, and promise to be the most active and engaged older adult population in history; and

WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of this and all communities to work together and prepare for the changing needs of our older neighbors by modernizing systems of care and providing them with more control over their lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That May 2008 is hereby declared "OLDER AMERICANS MONTH" in Shelby County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That our fellow citizens are urged to take time this and every month to honor our older citizens and those who dedicate themselves to the well being of our older citizens.

A C Wharton, Jr., County Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____